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**CHAFEE ANNOUNCES \$400,000 IN TRANSPORTATION
GRANTS FOR CENTREDALE VILLAGE &
TIVERTON'S OLD STONE BRIDGE**

WASHINGTON, DC -- U.S. Senator Lincoln Chafee today announced that the U.S. Department of Transportation is releasing \$400,000 in Federal Highway Administration Grants for two important safety projects in Rhode Island. The first, in the amount of \$300,000, will help fund the Centredale Village Revitalization Project. Another \$100,000 grant will be used for repairs to the "Old Stone Bridge" in Tiverton.

"These two grants will address serious problems of safety and infrastructure decay that have plagued these areas for too long," Senator Chafee said. "With additional lighting, better traffic flow and improvements in pedestrian safety, these are just two of the myriad of vital highway projects that we are hoping to address."

The Centredale Village Revitalization Project seeks to realign the intersection of Mineral Spring Avenue and Smith Street to make pedestrian traffic safer and to slow vehicular traffic. Plans call for the creation of the first roundabout/rotary constructed in the state in more than thirty years. Traffic calming devices and period lighting will be installed and street trees planted. All of the sidewalks will be handicap accessible and will include stamped concrete to give the appearance of brick.

The Town of Tiverton is seeking to preserve and repair the "Old Stone Bridge" abutment to beautify and augment the recreation areas at Grinnell's breach, and to maintain the structural breakwater the abutment provides to the Tiverton end of the Tiverton/Portsmouth Basin. These funds will be used to resurface the area atop the rehabilitated abutment, concrete sidewalks, lighting, landscaping and related amenities.

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